## **RESOLUTION NO. 2011-58**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL IN APPRECIATION OF ROBERT J. ZWEBEN, CITY ATTORNEY, FOR HIS MORE THAN 33 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF ALBANY

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben was first elected City Attorney on April 10, 1978, and has been elected every four years since 1978 until his last re-election in November, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has been the longest serving City Attorney in the history of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has served 16 different city councils and 6 city managers with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has continuously provided sound legal advice in ensuring compliance with the Albany City Charter, municipal code and City policies; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has negotiated and drafted a multitude of legal agreements, including agreements to purchase the land for the present library and community center, and the Caltrans owned land on Pierce Street for the future site of a city maintenance facility, park area, and other city uses; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has drafted ordinances, resolutions, Charter amendments, zoning revisions, leases, a transfer tax initiative, tobacco and alcohol regulations, including the regulation of smoking in public places, solicitation regulations, and legislation relating to campaign finance reform; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben was instrumental in the City's adoption of administrative procedures for the abatement of substandard buildings and the violation of city codes. Over the last 15 years, Robert Zweben has assisted staff in implementing these administrative procedures, thereby ensuring compliance with code provisions designed to preserve neighborhoods and protect the general welfare of the citizens in Albany; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has professionally and effectively guided the City of Albany through litigation filed against the City, demonstrating a superior ability to assess, negotiate, and advocate for the best resolutions of disputes; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben's advice, guidance, and support to the professional development of the City's commissions, committees, appointed officers and staff has benefited those he has counseled and is much appreciated; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has always provided a positive approach and has contributed to making the City of Albany an enjoyable place to work; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben has given his time and attention to assisting others, and is valued as a colleague and a friend; and

WHEREAS, Robert Zweben will be retiring from the City of Albany on December 31, 2011 and will be truly missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Albany expresses its deep gratitude and appreciation to Robert J. Zweben for his more than 33 years of exemplary and dedicated service to the City of Albany, and wishes him the best in his future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City of Albany held this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 2011.

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Council Member		

Marge Atkinson
Vice Mayor

Joanne Wile Council Member

Robert'S. Lieber Council Member

Farid Javandel Mayor



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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

this 19th day of December, 2011, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Atkinson, Lieber, Thomsen, Wile and Mayor Javandel

NOES:

ABSENT:

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 20th Day of December, 2011.

Eileen Harrington

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Ellen Havington